

I am writing on behalf of the Mid-America Lumbermens Association to urge you to repeal the new regulations governing unsolicited fax advertisements. Removing the "established business relationship" qualification from fax regulations is bad for business and extremely restrictive to communications. Restricting commerce in this way will have a negative effect on an already sluggish economy. Our members have already indicated their interest in doing business with us by joining our Association. Requiring a written consent should be unnecessary. We understand the public's desire to stop receiving unsolicited faxes from unknown individuals. We believe this regulation, however, is unnecessarily restrictive, when we now have to ask permission of members we've known for years. Thanks for your consideration.